

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC)
CORPORATION FOR A GENERAL) CASE NO.
ADJUSTMENT IN RATES) 2011-00036

ORDER

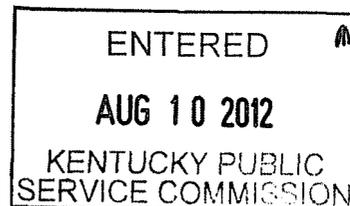
On July 3, 2012, Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") filed a motion requesting that all issues pending on rehearing in this case be submitted on the existing record of evidence without a hearing and that the parties be afforded an opportunity to file simultaneous briefs in support of their respective positions. Big Rivers' motion further states that Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc. ("KIUC") supports the motion. Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation and Kenergy Corp. have also filed letters in support of the motion.

Based on a review of the motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that there are multiple issues pending on rehearing, and our decision on those issues will have significant revenue impacts to Big Rivers; its two largest retail customers, who are aluminum smelters participating through KIUC; and its approximately 112,000 other retail customers in western Kentucky. Due to the significant revenue impacts of these issues, the Commission finds that an evidentiary hearing is necessary and appropriate to ensure that a complete record is developed.

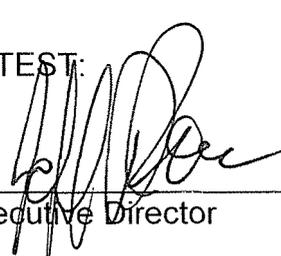
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Big River's motion to submit the pending rehearing issues without a hearing is denied.
2. A hearing shall be held on August 28, 2012 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses of Big Rivers and Intervenors.
3. Big Rivers shall publish notice of this hearing in compliance with KRS 424.300.
4. The official record of these proceedings shall be by video only.
5. Any request to cancel or postpone this hearing shall be made by motion filed with the Commission at least one week before the hearing is scheduled to commence.

By the Commission:



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